

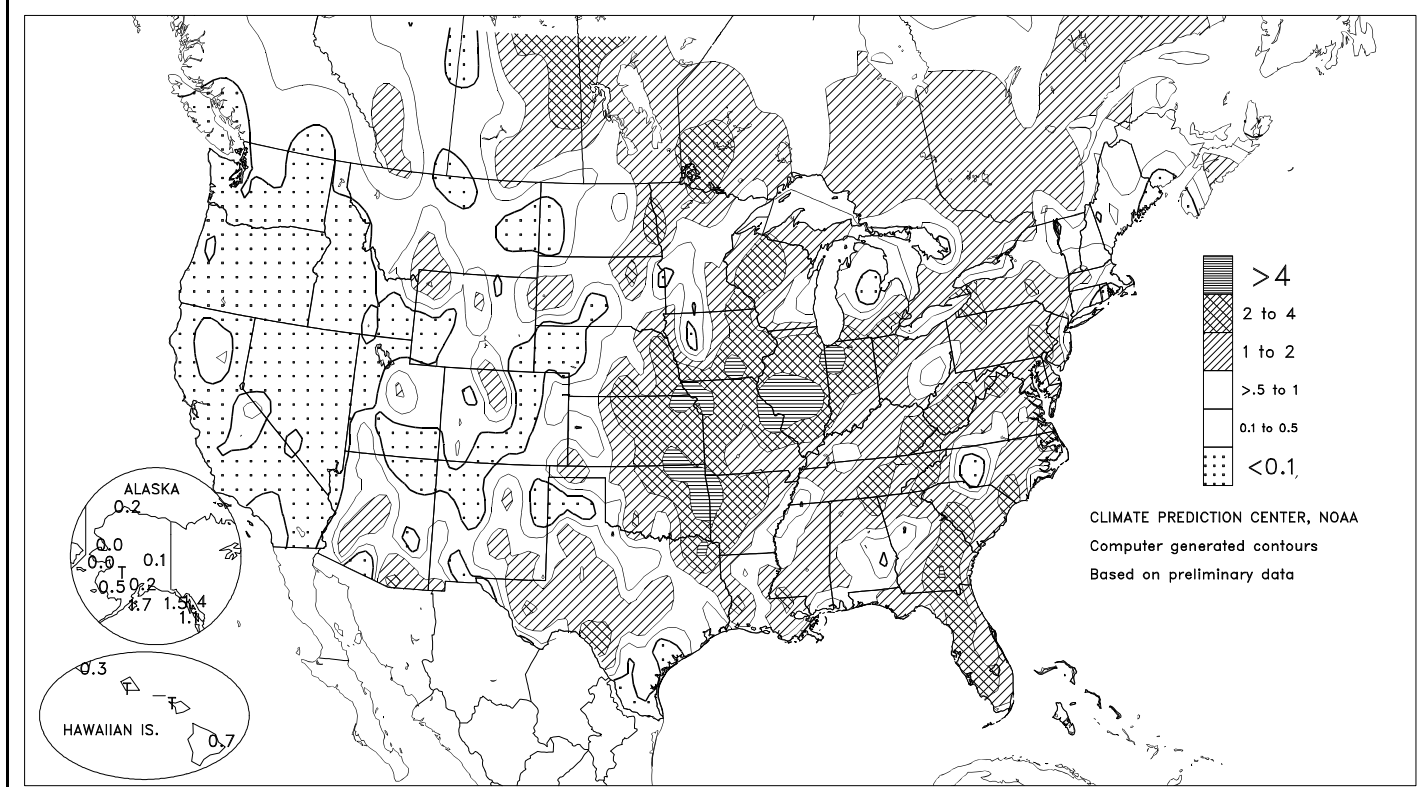
WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP BULLETIN

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Total Precipitation (Inches)

JUN 18 - 24, 2000



HIGHLIGHTS

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Significant rain fell across much of the **Midwest** for the seventh consecutive week, maintaining adequate to locally excessive soil moisture for corn and soybean development, but disrupting the **Ohio Valley's** soft red winter wheat harvest. For the second week in a row, very heavy rainfall soaked the **southeastern Plains** (especially the **eastern portions of Kansas and Oklahoma**), the **Red River Valley** (**North Dakota-Minnesota border**), and the previously parched **southwestern Corn Belt**. Wet weather also continued in the **northern Mid-Atlantic region**. The rain caused lowland flooding in portions of the **middle and upper Mississippi and Red River basins**. Meanwhile in

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